

1976

FARNBOROUGH & RAE AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY



present

**ROBERT &
ELIZABETH**

The title is set within a large, ornate, dark blue scrollwork frame. At the bottom right of the frame, there are two small circular portraits: one of a man's profile and one of a woman's profile.

A NEW MUSICAL PLAY

by Ron Grainer & Ronald Millar
(BY ARRANGEMENT WITH SAMUEL FRENCH LTD)

PRODUCER: JUNE THOMAS
MUSICAL DIRECTOR: DEREK CANFIELD
CHOREOGRAPHER: ANGELA LEONARD, M.B.A.T.D.B.B.

RAE ASSEMBLY HALL
22nd - 25th September, 1976

ROBERT & ELIZABETH

LADIES' CHORUS

Andrea Bartlett
 Fiona Canfield
 Audrey Gage
 Ann Garrood
 Betty Hills
 Mavis Inker
 Sandra Jordon
 Mary Kitson
 Irene Mowat
 Paula Still
 Eileen Stevens

DANCERS

Maureen Cartlidge
 Laila Emms
 Laura Martin
 Andrea Martin
 Debbie Mitten
 Linda Moon
 Carole Turner



CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE

VENDORS ANN GARROOD, FIONA CANFIELD, PAULA STILL
 POLICEMAN JOHN MACK
 SWEEPER JIM REED
 POSTMAN PETER LEARY
 LAMPLIGHTER IAN WOOD
 CHLOE BETTY HILLS
 CLAIRE MAUREEN CARTLIDGE
 A PICKPOCKET JOHN CANFIELD
 EDWARD MOULTON-BARRETT CLIFF BELL
 HENRIETTA GILL CANFIELD
 ARABEL CAROLINE SMITH
 GEORGE ARTHUR NELSON
 ALFRED RON WALKER
 HENRY BASIL TURNER
 CHARLES TERRY RETFORD
 SEPTIMUS PHILIP ALNER
 OCTAVIUS ADRIAN COX
 BELLA HEDLEY MARGARET BECKTON
 HENRY BEVAN MAX BURTON
 CAPTAIN SURTEES COOK ROBIN PHILLIPS
 A FELLOW OFFICER MIKE WILLIAMS
 WILSON MARJORIE HILLMAN
 FLUSH SUKI
 DOCTOR CHAMBERS JOHN MACK
 ELIZABETH JUNE THOMAS
 MR. MACREADY JIM REED
 MR. HARRISON JOHN MACK
 STAGE MANAGER, MR. LANGTON JIM PRESCOTT
 MRS. BUTLER, POLYXENA PAULA STILL
 EVANS IAN WOOD
 ROBERT BROWNING HAYDN THOMAS
 TRAVERS MIKE WILLIAMS
 LADY MARY IRENE MOWAT
 SANDWICH BOARD MAN MIKE WILLIAMS
 TICKET COLLECTOR JIM PRESCOTT

GENTLEMEN'S CHORUS

Bob Clarke
 Tony Doherty
 Peter Leary
 Jim Prescott
 Jim Reed
 Mike Williams

CHILDREN

John Canfield
 Timothy Canfield
 Anthony Cartlidge
 Julie Finch
 Bridget Garrood
 Nicholas Payen
 Nicola Retford
 Tessa Smith
 Adrian Thomas
 Siân Thomas



SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT I 1845

Scene 1 The vicinity of Wimpole Street
 Scene 2 The hall of No. 50 Wimpole Street
 Scene 3 Elizabeth's room
 Scene 4 The stage of the Theatre Royal, Haymarket
 Scene 5 Elizabeth's room
 Scene 6 The hall of No. 50 Wimpole Street
 Scene 7 The garden of No. 50 Wimpole Street

ACT II 1846

Scene 1 Elizabeth's room
 Scene 2 The hall of No. 50 Wimpole Street
 Scene 3 Cremorne Gardens, Chelsea
 Scene 4 The hall of No. 50 Wimpole Street
 Scene 5 Elizabeth's room
 Scene 6 Outside Browning's study
 Scene 7 Vauxhall Station
 Scene 8 Florence

ORCHESTRA

Violins—Kenneth Lowes (Leader) Arthur Alsey Alan Breckon Peter White
Cello—Fred Hopwood Bass—Ted Howard
Flutes—Glen Turnbull John Pinnel
Clarinets—Michael Fielder Les Hardman
Horns—Jean Patten Dennis Grant
Trumpet—David Edwards Trombone—Keith Thomas
Keyboards—Desmond Wood Harp—Ruth Faber
Percussion—Arthur Clarke

Stage Manager—Max Burton

Lighting—Bob Newman

Sound—Gordon Peake

Sets designed by—Max Burton

and constructed and painted by—

John Mitten, Ted Freke, Bill Bleasdale, Wendy Gilbey, Pete Viveash, Ernie Leedale, Janet Jones, Fred Hammick, Mike Davall, Jonathan Leonard, Neville Beckton, Doug Gilbey, Colin Lewis

Stage Crew—

John Mitten, Janet Jones, Pete Viveash, Ernie Leedale, Fred Hammick, Jonathan Leonard, Mike Davall

Make-up—William J. Nicholson Margaret Ratcliffe

Costumes—S. B. Watts Ltd.

Wardrobe Mistress—Rosemary Eldridge

Prompt—Barbara Leedale

Property Mistress—Florrie Newman

Box Office—Mabs Molyneux Front of House—Brian Busby, Handel Hall

Wheelchair kindly loaned by R.A.E. Welfare Dept.

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OUR NEXT PRODUCTION

MARCH 1977—"LA BELLE HELENE"